III.

An Account of the ſame, by Jo. Freeman *Eſq; F. R. S.*

Read Feb. 8. 1749-50. AS I paſſed thro' the *Mews* To-day, a little before 1 o' Clock, I felt a Shock like an Earthquake, and I thought I heard a hollow deep Noiſe. Several Women thereabouts came running out of their Houſes much terrified.

At *Leiceſter-Houſe* they were apprehenſive the Foundation was giving Way, and were going to ſend immediately for the Surveyor.

All the Way in my Return home, I ſaw many Groups of People together, and diſcourſing upon this Shock that had juſt happen'd; ſome imagining it was occaſion'd by ſome Houſes being blown up in *Gold-Lane*, where there was a great Fire, and others from ſome Powder-Mills blowing up; the ſame thing having been obſerved about 9 Years ago, from the like Accident at the Mills at *Hounſlow*. If neither of theſe Cauſes appear, it can be no other than an Earthquake.

IV.

An Account of the ſame, by William Fauquier *Eſq; F. R. S.*

Read Feb. 15. 1749-50. ON *Thurſday* the 8th of *February*, 1749-50. at about half an Hour after 12, as I was ſitting reading with one Elbow on

on the Table, on the Ground-Floor, in my Houſe at *Eltham* in *Kent*, I felt two Shocks from Eaſt to Weſt, which I immediately thought was an Earthquake, as I had felt ſomething like it once at *Naples*; and was confirm'd in my Opinion, by my Wife's running down-ſtairs frighted, and declar'd it was an Earthquake, ſhe having felt one in the *Weſt-Indies*. She was in the Room over me, in which Room there was China ſtanding on a Cabinet, which, ſhe ſays, ſhook in ſuch a manner that ſhe expected it to fall. My Children, who were in the Room over her, ſeem to have felt it ſtronger, as they ſay, they apprehended a Cheſt of Drawers in their Room was falling. The Servants that were in the Kitchen, which has no Room under it, ſeem to have felt but little of it. One that was writing ſays he felt the Dreſſer move, and the Wall, but thought it was only the Shutting of a Door. Other Servants in the ſame Room felt nothing at all of it. My Gardener, who was at Work in the Garden, felt nothing of it.

The Wind was at S. W. and had been high in the Night and Morning, but was very much abated; and after this, for ſome time, it was quite calm; which I believe it is generally obſerv'd to be, in thoſe Countries where Earthquakes are more frequent. A Flight of Pigeons I have, ſeem'd to be much frighten'd.

Eltham is about 8 Miles S. S. E. from *London-Bridge*, and ſtands on a Hill.

This Account was written before I had heard any thing from *London*.